

**MONTANA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION
AGENDA NO. 14-05-13**

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For Work Week Commencing: May 12, 2014

Commission Meeting: May 13, 2014, 9:00 a.m.

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9:00 a.m. Weekly Scheduling (Commission Conference Room – No Web Audio Feed)

9:30 a.m. Business (Bollinger Room)

Public Comments

Action Items All items identified below are for action at the Commission business meeting.

1. Approval of Commission Minutes (Aleisha)

Approval of the Commission Minutes for the week of May 5, 2014

Work Sessions All items identified below are for Commission discussion or action on the day designated.

1. N2014.4.38 - CenturyLink – Request of the Staff of the Montana Public Service Commission for CenturyLink Service Quality Information - Discuss/act on CenturyLink's Motion for a Protective Order
2. D2013.11.80 - Commnet - Application of Commnet Wireless LLC for Conditional Designation as an Eligible Telecommunications Carrier for Purposes of Participating in the Tribal Mobility Fund Phase 1 Auction - Discuss/act on Commnet's Motion for a Protective Order
3. D2008.8.95 - NorthWestern Energy - Dave Gates Generating Station - Discuss/act on recommendations of NorthWestern Energy for carbon offset project funding
4. D2012.5.49 - NorthWestern Energy - 2011-2012 Electric Tracker – To remove the following sentence from paragraph 78 of Order 7219h: "[A]s of the service date of this Order, NorthWestern bears the burden of demonstrating why any request for incremental lost revenues resulting from the acquisition of additional USB or DSM savings is reasonable and in the public interest."

Other Meetings

Weekly Scheduling, Review of Monthly Calendars, and Docket Status Updates (if requested by a Commissioner).

5/14/14 - 5:00 p.m. - Public Meeting - D2013.12.85 - NorthWestern Energy - Application for Hydro Assets Purchase - Colstrip (no web audio feed)

5/15/14 - 5:30 p.m. - Public Meeting - D2013.12.85 - NorthWestern Energy - Application for Hydro Assets Purchase - Great Falls (no web audio feed)

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1. CenturyLink QC D2013.10.76 (Kate)

On March 21, 2014, CenturyLink QC filed a petition requesting that the Commission waive the requirement that CenturyLink QC file confidential versions of the reports regarding its wholesale service performance under the newly adopted Performance Assurance Plan that was approved in this docket. According to CenturyLink QC's petition, the waiver will permit the company to submit monthly non-confidential versions of its performance results, subject to the understanding that CenturyLink QC will maintain the confidential data in the event that the Commission or its staff wishes to review it later.

2. Citizens N2014.5.48 (Scott)

On May 2, 2014, Citizens Telecommunications Company of Montana d/b/a Frontier Communications of Montana filed Advice Letter No. MT-14-05. The purpose of this filing is to introduce Selective Call Forwarding and Multiple Simultaneous Call Forward features. Citizens is requesting this filing to become effective on June 2, 2014.

Protective Orders – Notice Items The Commission has received the following requests for protective order pursuant to ARM 38.2.5007. Comments on the requests may be submitted at any time prior to ruling. Copies of these requests may be viewed on the Commission's web site at <http://psc.mt.gov>

1. Ronan Telephone Company D2014.4.37 (Jeremiah)

On April 7, 2014, Ronan Telephone Company filed a motion for a term protective order to protect cost, traffic, and employee compensation information, which the Montana Public Service Commission routinely requests in various dockets. This information is claimed to be trade secret. The term requested is four years in accordance with ARM 38.2.5004.

2. Hot Springs Telephone Company D2014.4.33 (Jeremiah)

On March 31, 2014, Hot Springs Telephone Company filed a motion for a term protective order to protect cost, traffic, and employee compensation information, which the Montana Public Service Commission routinely requests in various dockets. This information is claimed to be trade secret. The term requested is four years in accordance with ARM 38.2.5004.

Protective Orders – Information Items The Commission has issued the following protective orders. These orders may be challenged pursuant to ARM 38.2.5008. Copies of these orders may be viewed on the Commission's web site at <http://psc.mt.gov>

Information Items All items identified below are for information only.

New Filings Received in Past Week

N2014.5.48 - Citizens Telecommunications Company of Montana dba Frontier Communications of Montana - Advice Letter No. MT-14-05 - Tariff - Calling Features